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Applicant: BUECHLER et al.

Title: METHODS FOR MONITORING
THE STATUS OF ASSAYS AND
IMMUNOASSAYS

Appl. No.: 09/712,615

Filing Date: November 13, 2000

Examiner: Cook, L.

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith :

- ☒ Response to Restriction Requirement;
- ☒ Change of Correspondence Address;
- ☒ Applicant Claims Small Entity status.
- ☒ The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Claims Fee
Total Claims:	—	=	0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents:	—	=	0	x \$80.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$270.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$0.00

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$0.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$0.00

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1447 in the amount of \$_____.
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Respectfully submitted,

Date

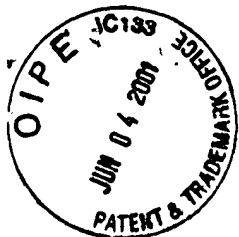
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2001, please consider the following claim amendments and remarks.

Claims 6, 7, 16, 17, 27-47, and 54-92 are pending in the instant application. In a restriction requirement, the Examiner has divided the claims into 14 groups:

Group I:	claims 6-7;
Group II:	claims 16-17;
Group III:	claims 27-28;
Group IV:	claims 29-36;
Group V:	claims 37-47;
Group VI:	claims 54-55;
Group VII:	claims 56-63 & 65;